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In re application of T. SASAKI et al

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Filed: February 13, 2002

Examiner: M. Dimyan

For: DESIGN METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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REPLY

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed March 30, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A certified copy of Japanese priority Patent Application No. 2001-038678 accompanies this Reply in satisfaction of the requirement set forth in 35 U.S.C. §119.

IN THE TITLE

Please amend the title of the invention to --DESIGN METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACHIEVING A MINIMUM MACHINE CYCLE FOR SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUITS--.